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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office communication herein mailed 3 December 2002, which set a date for response of 3 January 2003. A petition for an extension of time of one (1) month until 3 February 2003 is attached hereto, along with the required fee. A species election was required.

Applicants elect the species of SEQ. ID. No.: 17 which is subparagraph (f) of claim 39. The claims that read on this elected species are claims 39, 51 and possibly claim 42.

It is noted that group IV contained claims 16-19, 34, 35 and 37; these claims have been replaced by new claims 39-57.

Applicants understand that upon finding allowable subject matter, additional species and the generic claim will be examined.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket No. <u>511582002300</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

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